



Climate-proofing water investment in the Caribbean

Briefing note

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Project information

Project name

‘Climate-proofing water investment in the Caribbean’.

Project purpose

The overall purpose of the project is to mainstream climate compatible development into core decision making and implementation within the Caribbean water sector.

Implementing agencies



Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC) and Global Water Partnership Caribbean (GWP-C) with support from the Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN).

Duration

January 2015 – January 2016

Key stakeholders

National and regional agencies working on water management and use, including water resources, water services, disaster risk reduction, environment and land use planning. Development partners and other financial partners.

 *Building resilience requires transformation change and mobilisation of scarce resources*
Implementation Plan (IP) for the Regional Framework 

This briefing note provides an overview of the joint Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC) and Global Water Partnership Caribbean (GWP-C) initiative for ‘Climate-proofing water investment in the Caribbean’.

The initiative is set within the context of the *CARICOM Regional Framework for Achieving Development Resilient to Climate Change* which sets the region’s strategic approach for addressing climate change. The Regional Framework identified the water sector as the single most important cross-cutting issue for climate compatible development in the Caribbean.

It is also focussed on supporting the CARICOM Consortium of Water Institutions through coordination of action on water and climate issues across the region.

Project outputs under development

Track A – The Caribbean Climate Resilience and Water Security Investment Programme and Financing Plan (CRWSIP).

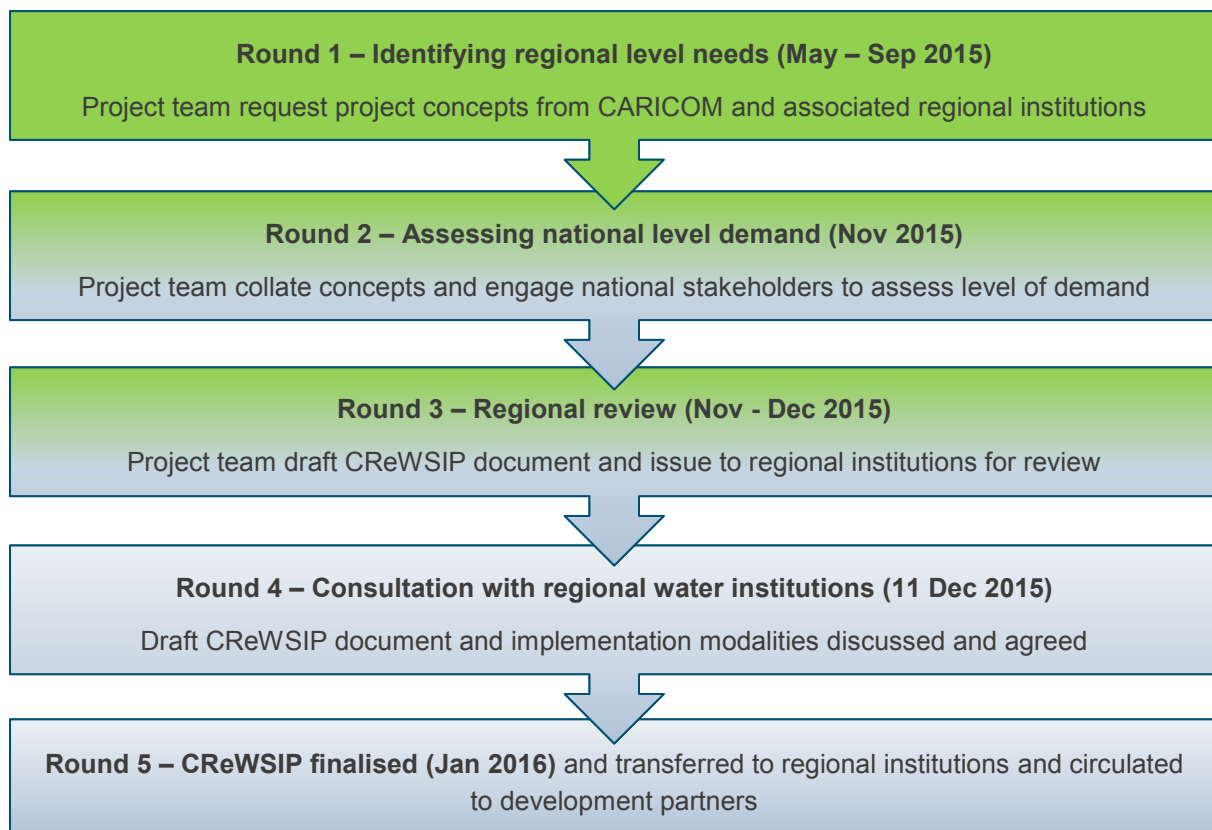
CRWSIP will be a reference document demonstrating a coordinated regional approach for planning, financing and progressing work on water and climate related issues. It will be primarily used by regional institutions and national partners to facilitate access to funding to address priority national issues.

It will contain prioritised programmes, based on national and regional consultation which can be further progressed towards funding. It will also contain priority projects which can be implemented in the short term. CRWSIP will be a ‘living’ document and this project will deliver its first incarnation, and provide a foundation for future planning cycles and updates.

Track B – Developing detailed project concept notes for two projects

Two priority projects have been identified for rapid implementation. Terms of reference have been developed for these projects and funding secured to deliver the terms of reference for one project, with funding anticipated to become available for the second. The projects relate to climate proofing water supplies in Saint Vincent and climate proofing mini-dams for agriculture, Grenada.

Update on stakeholder involvement and next steps



Consolidating feedback from the consultation process

Round 1 consultations requesting project concepts from CARICOM and associated regional institutions were completed in Jun/Jul 2015. The findings from this process have been collated and consolidated into six thematic areas, with associated programmes and activities.

- The six thematic programmes of action address priority water security and climate resilience challenges including: Climate resilient water infrastructure; Efficient water consumption; Drought resilient water supplies; Climate resilient agricultural water management; Resilient and healthy water resource systems; and Integrated flood management.
- The outcomes of the regional engagement process and the six thematic programmes are being shared with CARICOM and associated regional institutions for final endorsement.

Round 2 consultations assessing national level demand will be initiated in November 2015. A survey of national level stakeholders will be undertaken to assess levels of demand for the various programmes and activities.

- A 'survey monkey' questionnaire is being shared with national level stakeholders to re-confirm levels of demand for the various programmes and activities. The findings from the national level consultation will be collated in Nov 2015.
- National level priorities and demand will be a key attribute of the final CReWSIP document, and is essential to demonstrate the contribution CReWSIP will make to broader national development goals and objectives.

Further information

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